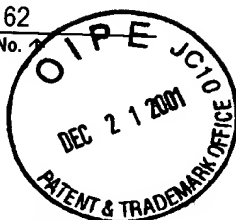


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PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s) ROBERTSON et al.
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 Appln. Title: ACRYLIC POOL TABLE COMPOSITION



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Date: December 21, 2001

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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim

- A. ☐ NOT made
 B. ☐ Withdrawn
 C. ☐ made herewith
 D. ☐ made previously
- For B & C
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Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims	12	**minus 20	0	x \$18/\$9 = + \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	5	***minus 3	2	x \$84/\$42 = + \$168	102/202
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or if Rule 97(d) Request add		+ \$180		+ \$0	126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)		+ \$740/370		+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)		x \$740/370 ea		+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		+ \$740/370		+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for				+ \$0	
15.		TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED = \$168			

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

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1. (Amended) An uncoated and unfilled acrylic polymer product obtained from an acrylic composition comprising greater than 70 % w/w of the residues of at least one polymerizable acrylic monomer, 0.3 – 5 % w/w of a finely divided compound comprising at least one oxide selected from silicon, titanium, zirconium and aluminum oxides, and 0.2-25 % w/w of at least one linking compound which is miscible with said polymerizable acrylic monomer and which is capable of bonding to the surface of the oxide compound.
 2. (Amended) A product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the linking compound contains at least one functional group which is copolymerizable with the acrylic monomers and a polar group and which is capable of bonding to the surface of the oxide compound.
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3. (Amended) A product as claimed in claim 2, wherein the linking compound comprises a monofunctional or polyfunctional acrylate or methacrylate compound which additionally contains a polar hydroxyl group.

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